## House Resolution No. 1749

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their achievements in the field of higher education; and

Whereas, Dr. Peggy Pearl of Springfield, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a Professor of Child Development at Missouri State University in Springfield, a vocational calling that she will draw to a close in well-deserved retirement; and

Whereas, in addition to her research and classroom activities, Dr. Peggy Pearl has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation for her contributions to the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, American Association for Protecting Children, American Vocational Association and Missouri Vocational Association, Child Care Action Coalition, Children's Budget Coalition Steering Committee, Child Welfare League of America, Citizens for Missouri's Children, International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, Kappa Omicron Nu/Kappa Omicron Phi Alumni chapter, Missouri Alliance for Children, Missouri Association for Social Welfare, Missouri Child Care Association, Missouri Children's Trust Fund Advisory Board, Missouri State Teachers Association, National Association for the Education of Young Children, National Black Child Development Institute, National Child Care Advisory Board, the Missouri chapter of the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse, National Home Economics Education Association, World Organization for Early Childhood Education, and Southwest District Home Economics Teachers Association; and

Whereas, a manuscript reviewer for the International Journal of Child Abuse and Neglect, Deminsions, Young Children, and Colleagues for Children, Dr. Peggy Pearl also reviews grant proposals for the Missouri Children's Trust Fund, Missouri Department of Family Services, and United States Department of Health and Human Services' Children's Services and Head Start divisions; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Peggy Pearl also has held numerous appointments to state-level commissions, committees, and task forces in Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered in the life and work of Dr. Peggy Pearl and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. Peggy Pearl of Springfield, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Sara Lampe
District No. 138
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,

do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Rod Jetton, Speaker

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